

## **Effort and Persistence**

### Messages on Effort and Persistence

Write down strategies that the elementary school teachers discuss and demonstrate they use to encourage students to apply effort to learning mathematics.

Describe ways they communicate with parents and the messages they give to parents about the importance of effort.

### Stamina, Effort, and Success

Write down the structures and systems that build students' stamina for working on mathematics challenges, parent communications, and establishing a "culture of no failure" that are shared by middle school administrators and teachers.

## **Reflection on Effort and Persistence**

What do you currently do to build effort and persistence?

How do you currently communicate that with your students and parents?

What might you like to do to build effort and persistence?

How will you communicate that with your students and parents?